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Mr. Frank Vonturkovich
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Re: Site Management Activities Completed (SMAC) #96-1732

Dear Mr. Vonturkovich:

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Sites Management Section (SMS) has reviewed and approved the Johnson Company's 5 January 1996 Report of the results of the fourth quarter groundwater quality monitoring at 19 Thompson Drive in Essex. This report recommended that the on-site monitoring wells be properly de-commissioned and that the site be designated "Site Management Activities Complete".

Based on the available data and the current site conditions as reported by the Johnson Company, the SMS has concluded:

- The groundwater quality beneath the site is likely to meet groundwater enforcement standards;
- the removal of the contaminated septic sludge has removed the likely source of toluene in the groundwater; and
- there has been no quantifiable impact or risk to receptors from contamination that was present on this property.

Based on these findings, the SMS has determined that site management activities have been completed. However, the completion of these activities do not release you from any past or future liability which may arise from the contamination discovered on this site. It does mean that the SMS is not requiring any additional work to be performed in response to the contamination discovered in the October 1994 Phase II Environmental Site Assessment other than the proper de-commissioning of the existing monitoring wells.

Thank you for your continued cooperation. If you have any questions, please call Michael Smith or myself at 241-3888.

Sincerely,

Chuck Schwer
Acting Sites Management Section Chief

cc: James R. Bowes, The Johnson Company
Essex Town Clerk